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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Katsutomo Terashima *et al.*  
Serial Number : 09/434,024  
Filed : November 4, 1999  
For : EXCIMER LASER DEVICE AND GAS FOR EXCIMER  
DEVICE  
Examiner : Cornelius H. Jackson  
Group Art Unit : 2881

**PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

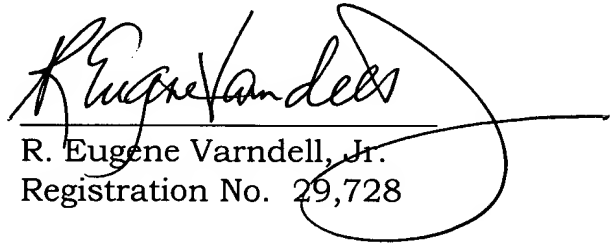
October 12, 2004

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136, applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time for filing an appeal brief following the Notice of Appeal filed on June 10, 2004. Without extension, an appeal brief is due within two months from the filing of the Notice of Appeal, 37 CFR § 1.192 (a). Accordingly, this Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time will extend the time for filing an appeal brief to October 10, 2004. Since October 10, 2004, was a Sunday and October 11, 2004, was a national holiday, namely, Columbus Day, the attached Appeal Brief can be timely filed on the next business day, October 12, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$430.00 (FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS) for the two-month extension of time fee is enclosed.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,  
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